

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A liquid crystal display having two opposed substrates (1), a liquid crystalline medium (2) contained between the substrates, and a plurality of overlapped electrodes (5) arranged on the substrates to produce a multiplicity of pixels (11), wherein the electrodes (5) are configured in such fashion that the pixels (11) have round contours, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) possess bulging sections (6) with arc-shaped sectors (7), as well as straight-line sections 8 merging into the arc-shaped sectors (7) such that the straight-line sections 8 form part of the contour of the overlapped electrodes in each of the pixels, and connecting sections (9) linking said bulging sections (6) in a string-type configuration.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such fashion that the pixels (11) have roughly circular contours.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the electrodes (5) possess bulging sections (6) with a rounded, outer contour, as well as connecting sections (9) linking said bulging sections in a string-type configuration, with the~~ relative orientation of the overlapped electrodes (5) disposed on different substrates (1) being such that their bulging sections (6) lie opposite each other, turned through about 90° relative to one another, and adding up to form a pixel.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 3, wherein the bulging sections (6) form diametrically opposed sectors (7), with a sector angle (α) of at least about 90 degrees.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1, wherein the bulging sections (6) of the electrodes (11) which are complementary to form pixels (11) are configured in such fashion that in the presence of an offset of the substrates (1) in the two axial directions, which is due to manufacturing tolerances, pixels (11) are still producible whose outer contour includes circular sections and corners with obtuse included internal angles.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the corners of the outer contour or the tangents applied to the corners define between them an internal angle of between 90° and 180°.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A liquid crystal display having two opposed substrates (1), a liquid crystalline medium (2) contained between the substrates, and a plurality of overlapped electrodes (5) arranged on the substrates to produce a multiplicity of pixels (11). ~~The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1,~~ wherein the connecting sections (9) have an enlarged cross-section (10) outside an area of overlap with the opposite electrode (5).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display according to claim 1, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such a fashion that the pixels (11) have a contour in the form of a polygon with more than four sides.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 8, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such fashion that the pixels (11) have a contour in the form of a polygon with rounded corners.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 8, wherein neighboring sides of the polygon define between them an internal angle of ≥ 100 degrees.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) possess bulging sections (6) with a polygonal outer contour, as well as connecting sections (9) linking said bulging sections in a string-type configuration, with the overlapped electrodes (5) disposed on different substrates (1) being configured such that their bulging sections lie opposite each other.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pixels (11) are arranged in a raster, with the raster distance between neighboring pixels amounting to between 0.5 mm and 1 mm.

Claim 13 (Canceled).

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 3, wherein the bulging sections (6) form diametrically opposed sectors (7), with a sector angle (α) of about 90 degrees.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the corners of the outer contour or the tangents applied to the corners define between them an internal angle of between 120° and 180°.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display according to claim 8, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such a fashion that the pixels (11) have a contour in the form of an essentially octagonal contour.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 16, wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such fashion that the pixels (11) have a contour in the form of a polygon with rounded corners.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 16, wherein neighboring sides of the polygon define between them an internal angle of ≥ 120 degrees.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 12, wherein the pixels (11) are arranged in a raster, with the raster distance between neighboring pixels amounting to between 0.6 mm and 0.8 mm.

Claim 20 (New): A liquid crystal display having two opposed substrates (1), a liquid crystalline medium (2) contained between the substrates, and a plurality of overlapped electrodes (5) arranged on the substrates to produce a multiplicity of pixels (11), wherein the overlapped electrodes (5) are configured in such fashion that the pixels (11) have round contours and the pixels (11) are arranged in a raster, with the raster distance between neighboring pixels amounting to between 0.5 mm and 1 mm.